

FELT HAT



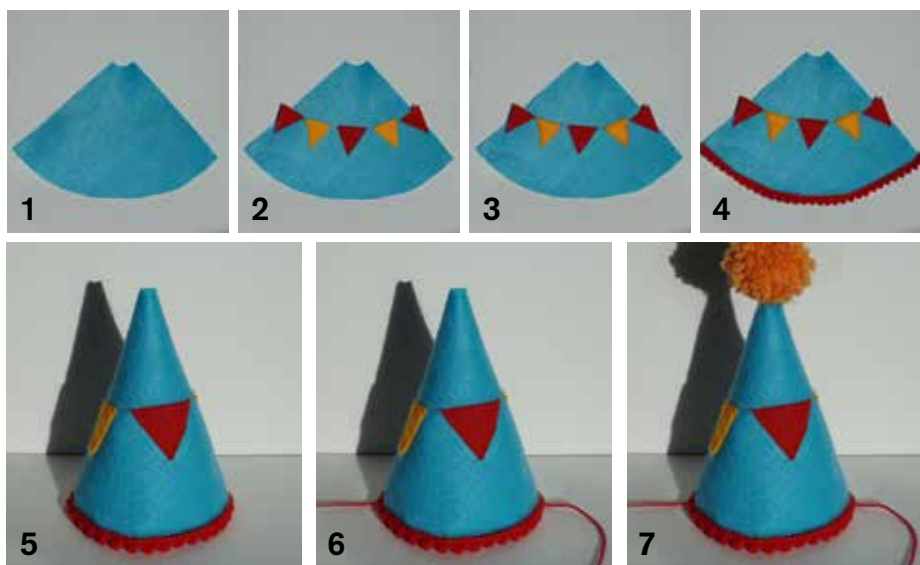
KEEP THE KIDS BUSY WITH THIS SUPER-FUN ACTIVITY.

MATERIALS

- Felt Sheet (for the base and decorations)
- Red pom-pom fringe (for the bottom trim)
- Topper (a ready-made pom-pom, or yarn to create your own)
- Red embroidery floss, yarn, or thin elastic cord
- Tools
- Scissors
- Hot glue gun and glue sticks
- Pen/marker
- Compass or a large plate/bowl
- Ruler
- (Optional) Embroidery needle & thread or fine-tip marker (if adding faux/real decorative stitching on the flags)

INSTRUCTIONS

1. To get a cone base, draw a circle on your main felt sheet. Cut out roughly one-third of the circle to create the ideal cone width. Snip off the pointed top tip slightly to create a curved wedge shape.
2. Cut small, identical triangles from your red and yellow felt sheets. Lay out your felt triangles across the middle curve of the base felt to test the positioning. Use a hot glue gun to apply a small dot of glue to the back of each triangle and press them securely into place.
3. Use a needle and thread to add a simple straight stitch along the top or edges of the triangles for a handmade embroidered look. OR draw faux stitches along the top edge of the bunting flags using a fine-tip fabric marker or gel pen.
4. Take your red mini pom-pom trim/fringe ribbon and align it along the bottom curved edge of the felt base. Apply hot glue in small sections along the bottom edge and press the trim down flat. Cut off any excess trim at the side edges.
5. Overlap the two straight side edges of the felt base piece to form a cone shape. Apply a thin line of hot glue along one inside seam and overlap the opposite edge securely until the glue sets.
6. Cut two equal lengths of embroidery thread, string (or one continuous loop/elastic piece). Apply a dab of hot glue inside the bottom inner rim on opposite sides of the hat and press the ends of the thread in place to act as tie straps.
7. Place a generous dab of hot glue right over the top hole/opening of the cone. Press your orange yarn pom-pom firmly onto the top and hold it until the glue sets completely.



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